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In re Application of :
Huang et al. : DECISION GRANTING
Application No. 10/060,737 : PETITION
Filed: 30 January, 2002 :
Attorney Docket No. 510015-253 :

This is a decision on the petition filed on 18 March, 2002, under 37 CFR 1.10(c) requesting that the above-identified application be accorded a filing date of 30 January, 2002, rather than the presently accorded filing date of 1 February, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioner alleges that the application was deposited in Express Mail service on 30 January, 2002. In support, on 18 March, 2002, petitioner supplied a copy of Express Mail Label No. EL920451817US (the same Express Mail number found on the itemized transmittal sheet accompanying the original application papers located in the official file). The "date-in" on the Express Mail Label, has not been completed. The Express Mail label, however, also contains an official USPS postmark, however, dated 30 January, 2002.

In view of the above, the petition is granted.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for correction of the filing date to **30 January, 2002**. Thereafter, the application will be forwarded to Technology Center 3700 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6918.

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